

# Veteran Benefits Application

<b>Student Name (First, MI, Last)</b>		<b>ECSU Student ID:</b>
<b>ECSU Email:</b> @my.easternct.edu	<b>Home/Cell:</b>	<b>VA File # (SSN) if applicable:</b>

**Instructions:** To apply for the CT state tuition waiver and/or request VA enrollment certification, please select one eligible status below and submit the required documents. ***This application is only required for new students.***

<input type="checkbox"/> 1. Eligible Veteran: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Ch. 30 – Montgomery GI Bill® Active Duty (MGIB-AD) Required Docs: COE and DD-214 Member 4 Copy</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Ch. 31 – Vocational Rehabilitation &amp; Employment (VR&amp;E) Required Docs: 1905 and DD-214 Member 4 Copy</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Ch. 33 – Post-9/11 GI Bill® Required Docs: COE and DD-214 Member 4 Copy</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Ch. 33 – Post-9/11 GI Bill® Dependent Required Docs: COE</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Ch. 33 – Post-9/11 GI Bill® Yellow Ribbon Program Required Docs: COE and DD-214 Member 4 Copy</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ch. 35 – Dependents Educational Assistance (DEA) Required Docs: COE <input type="checkbox"/> Ch. 1606 – Montgomery GI Bill® Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR) Required Docs: NOBE or COE <input type="checkbox"/> Tuition Waiver Only – No VA benefits eligibility Required Docs: DD-214 Member 4 Copy  <i>If you no longer have your COE, you may submit a Post-9/11 GI Bill® Statement of Benefits, found under the section Ask a Question <a href="https://gibill.custhelp.va.gov/app/home">https://gibill.custhelp.va.gov/app/home</a></i>
<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Active Member of CT Army and Air National Guard	Required: COE ( <i>request your Unit to submit a COE for each term</i> )
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. CT resident who is a dependent child or surviving spouse of a member of the Armed Forces killed in action on or after 9/11/01 who was a CT resident	Required: Military Status Document Required: Dependency Document
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. CT resident who is a dependent child of a person whom the Armed Forces has declared to be MIA or a POW while serving after 1/1/60	Required: Military Status Document Required: Dependency Document

**Under Connecticut state statutes, tuition at Connecticut public colleges and universities may be waived for eligible persons, who must satisfy all of the following requirements (eligibility is not retroactive):**

- Be honorably discharged or released under honorable conditions from active service in the U.S. Armed Forces: U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard **or** National Guard members in good-standing, activated under Title 10 of the U.S. Code.
- Have served at least 90 or more cumulative days active duty in [time of war](#) except if separated from service earlier because of a federal Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) rated service-connected disability; or the war, campaign or operation lasted less than 90 days and service was for the duration.
- Be formally admitted for undergraduate or graduate study at ECSU to receive the 100% tuition waiver for credit courses, although you do not have to declare a major initially.
- Be domiciled in Connecticut at the time of acceptance, which includes domicile for less than one year. If you applied to ECSU with an out-of-state address, you become domiciled when you get a CT address.

Other college costs such as University fees, books, and room and board are not waived. Summer and intersession courses are not assessed tuition; therefore, there is no tuition waiver during these terms. Eligible veterans in status 1 above can receive a 50% waiver of the extension course fee, and those in status 4 can receive a 100% waiver of the extension course fee.

**For students receiving VA Education Benefits:**

You are required to be matriculated (formally admitted) into an eligible degree program at ECSU within two (2) semesters or your benefits will be suspended. *I understand that I can only receive benefits for courses required for my degree and that I must make satisfactory progress towards graduation. I understand that withdrawal from courses and subsequent grades of "W, CR, NC" may reduce VA payment eligibility. I understand that the VA will not pay for courses that I audit, or repeat, or take without credit, and or do not attend, and that the VA will hold me responsible for any education benefit overpayment.*

- Classes that are successfully completed may not be certified for again for VA purposes if they are repeated; however, if a student fails a class, or if a program requires a higher grade than the one achieved, that course class may be repeated and certified to VA again.
- Notify your Certifying Official in the Student Accounts Office if you are taking a course outside of your planned program of study, only courses that satisfy requirements for the program of study can be certified for VA purposes.
- Your benefits will continue to be certified for each subsequent term that you enroll at ECSU without any further action on your behalf, unless you notify your Certifying Official in the Financial Aid Office that you wish to suspend certification.
- I will notify the Certifying Official in the Financial Aid Office if I want to use my Va education benefits during the winter or summer sessions or I will not receive any VA benefits for those terms.

**By my signature below I certify that I have read and understand all the above.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_